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MEXICO.

*Report from Vera Cruz.*VERA CRUZ, MEXICO, *January 6, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended January 5, 1901.

There was 1 case of yellow fever reported, but no deaths. There were 4 cases and 2 deaths from smallpox, and 32 deaths from all causes.

During the week bills of health were issued to 5 vessels, and health certificates issued to 36 passengers for Havana.

The health condition of the shipping continues good, although the majority of the vessels come alongside of the piers, and keep up intercourse with the city.

Respectfully,

SAML. H. HODGSON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

*Smallpox at Port Elgin and Cape Tarmentine.*MONCTON, NEW BRUNSWICK, *December 28, 1900.*

SIR: I very much regret being compelled to inform you that smallpox has broken out again in New Brunswick; Port Elgin, and Cape Tarmentine, 40 miles east of Moncton, are the places where the disease originated.

The district which is affected with smallpox cases has been quarantined. Schools and churches are ordered to be closed, and nothing is allowed to come out which would carry the contagion. There are at present about 40 people infected of whom only 6 are serious. Every precaution, however, is being taken by the provincial as well as by the local boards of health to keep it from spreading. Should the disease turn out to be more serious, I shall at once inform the Department.

Respectfully,

GUSTAVE BEUTELSPACHER,
Commercial Agent.

Hon. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

*No plague reported since November 1—No smallpox in Manila.*MANILA, P. I., *December 7, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that no case of plague has been reported in the Philippine Islands since November 1, 1900, and that there is nothing of special importance to report for the week ended December 1, 1900.

During the latter period 346 deaths from all causes occurred.

The city of Manila still remains free from smallpox, and this disease has occurred only to a limited extent in other towns and barrios of the islands.

Relative to the temporary disappearance of plague cases, there is nothing new to report. Rats dead from plague are still found, and a